

**Howard County NAACP
Education Committee Report
January 2009**

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Submitted by Rhonda Jones, Chairperson

Committee Members

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I. Activities and Deliverables:

- A. Compiling annual Academic Report Card
- B. Hosting "Reading is Fun" nights at Stevens Forest Apartments (1/23) and Guilford Gardens Apartments on (1/27). Members of the Education Committee read sections of two books while the children followed along. Each child who attended received free copies of both books. Nutritious snacks were provided.

II. Civil Rights Inquiries:

- A. None

III. Education Plans

- A. Giant Food is sponsoring a Black History Month Essay Contest for students in 6th, 7th and 8th grade. Prizes range from \$250 - \$1,000. The Education Committee will be hosting at least two "prep" sessions to work with students who are interested in submitting an essay. Ridgely Run Community Center, 8400 Mission Road, Jessup, MD 20794 on Wed, 2/11 from 6-7pm and Tues, 2/17 from 6-7:30pm. Other dates may be set at Celebration Church in Columbia.